

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
Stand Alone 07– LD 35 Firearms
Session No. 7 – Malfunctions - Failure to Eject/Failure to Extract

Hours: 2

LD 35 (RBC Calendar Location Week 5

LOCATION: Range

TRAINING NEEDS: None

HANDOUTS: None

Learning Objectives:

- Reinforce prior pistol manipulation skills.
- **Describe the Failures to Eject and Extract Malfunctions and demonstrate clearing methods for semiautomatic pistols.**

I. Conduct drills to reinforce the previously taught pistol manipulation skills:

A. Assemble the class in a safe training area and conduct training drills to reinforce the following pistol manipulation skills that have been previously taught.

1. Drawing and Holstering
2. Chamber Checks: Daytime and Low-Light
3. Loading and Unloading
4. Tactical Reload
5. In-Battery and Out-of-Battery Speed Reloads
6. Failure to Fire Malfunction
7. Field Stripping and Lubrication Points

II. Introduction to the Failure to Eject Malfunction

A. Explain the following information regarding the pistol Failure to Eject malfunction to the recruits in a class circle. Refer to Chapter 8 in the Basic Firearms Manual.

1. The ability to immediately recognize and clear a malfunction is essential to an officer's survival in a gunfight.
2. A malfunction is defined as an unexpected and unintentional interruption in the normal firing sequence, and that can be quickly corrected by the shooter.
3. Discuss the possible causes of the pistol Failure to Eject malfunction.
4. It is recommended that clearing malfunctions should be performed, if

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possible, utilizing cover.

B. Introduce and demonstrate the steps for identifying and clearing a pistol Failure to Eject malfunction.

1. In a class circle, explain that a Failure to Eject malfunction occurs when the shooter attempts to fire a round and feels a spongy trigger action with no discharge of a round.
2. The proper identification of the Failure to Eject malfunction occurs through visual inspection of the ejection port and chamber.
3. Explain and demonstrate in a class circle to the recruits the proper steps for clearing a Failure to Eject malfunction as per Chapter 8 in the LAPD Basic Firearms Manual.
4. Remind the recruits that they can review all pistol manipulations by watching the firearms training video on their Academy DVD, as well as reading their issued LAPD Basic Firearms Manual.

C. PRACTICAL APPLICATION: Failure to Eject malfunction clearance drills.

1. Return the recruits back to their training formation and conduct drills to teach and reinforce the proper techniques for identifying and clearing a Failure to Eject malfunction.
2. Have the students load snap caps in each of their three magazines and place empty casings in their pockets to use to set up Failure to Eject malfunctions.
3. Reinforce the proper steps for loading and unloading as the students conduct drills to experience, identify and clear the pistol malfunctions.
4. Remind the students to keep their trigger finger off the trigger and alongside the frame while clearing a malfunction.

III. Introduction to the Failure to Extract Malfunction

A. Explain the following information regarding the pistol Failure to Extract malfunction to the recruits in a class circle. Refer to Chapter 8 in the Basic Firearms Manual.

1. The ability to immediately recognize and clear a malfunction is essential to an officer's survival in a gunfight.
2. A malfunction is defined as an unexpected and unintentional interruption in the normal firing sequence, and that can be quickly corrected by the shooter.
3. Discuss the possible causes of the pistol Failure to Extract malfunction.
4. It is recommended that clearing malfunctions should be performed, if possible, utilizing cover.

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- B. Introduce and demonstrate the steps for identifying and clearing a pistol Failure to Extract malfunction.
1. In a class circle, explain that a Failure to Extract malfunction occurs when the shooter attempts to fire a round and feels a spongy trigger action with no discharge of a round.
 2. The proper identification of the Failure to Extract malfunction occurs through visual inspection of the ejection port and chamber.
 3. Explain and demonstrate in a class circle to the recruits the proper steps for clearing a Failure to Extract malfunction as per Chapter 8 in the LAPD Basic Firearms Manual.
 4. Remind the recruits that they can review all pistol manipulations by watching the firearms training video on their Academy DVD, as well as reading their issued LAPD Basic Firearms Manual.
- C. PRACTICAL APPLICATION: Failure to Extract malfunction clearance drills.
1. Return the recruits back to their training formation and conduct drills to teach and reinforce the proper techniques for identifying and clearing a Failure to Extract malfunction.
 2. Have the students load snap caps in each of their three magazines and place empty casings in their pockets to use to set up Failure to Extract malfunctions.
 3. Reinforce the proper steps for loading and unloading as the students conduct drills to experience, identify and clear the pistol malfunctions.
 4. Remind the students to keep their trigger finger off the trigger and alongside the frame while clearing a malfunction.
- D. Clean up and Conclusion
1. Pick up all snap caps and magazines. Conduct a visual inspection of all magazines before having the recruits put them away in their range bags.
 2. Have the recruits return their pistols to the gun boxes.
 3. Remind the recruits to practice their manipulations at home.
 4. Instruct the recruits to review their notes and the Basic Firearms Manual in preparation for the written exam in the next week.